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1. WELCOME STAFFDEL VAN DUSEN VISIT TO KUWAIT NOVEMBER 2-4.
CONTROL OFFICER WILL BE FSO FARETT SEANY. WE HAVE RESERVED
ONE DOUBLE AND ONE SINGLE AT KUWAIT HILTON FOR TWO NIGHTS.
UNFORTUNATELY, HOTEL SITUATION VERY TIGHT AND THESE ONLY AVAIL-
ABLE ROOMS.

2. OUR PRELIMINARY REACTION TO SCHEDULED TWO-DAY VISIT TO KUWAIT
IS THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE INSUFFICIENT ACTIVITY OR MATERIAL
HERE YET TO COMPILE "HEAVY SCHEDULE" STAFFDEL DESIRES. VIRTUALLY
NO US EQUIPMENT ON HAND YET EXCEPT TRUCKS, AND ONLY DEFENSE-
RELATED US CONTRACTORS CURRENTLY IN KUWAIT ARE RAYTHEON, WHICH
HAS NOT YET BEGUN SUBSTANTIVE WORK, AND GILCHRON RADAR TECH-
NICIANS (COMMERCIAL SALE).

3. WE WOULD PLAN TO INCLUDE IN ITINERARY FOR VISIT TO KUWAIT
SUCH ACTIVITIES AS FOLLOWING, AND WE ARE OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS
ON OTHER ACTIVITIES:

A. NOVEMBER 2

ARRIVE KUWAIT AIRPORT FROM MANAMA (GF 215 AT 1650)
AND PROCEED TO HILTON.

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B. NOVEMBER 3

MORNING - MEET AMBASSADOR
IN-DEPTH, JOINT BRIEFING BY USLOK CHIEF AND CHIEFS OF POL
AND ECON SECTIONS: CURRENT AND FUTURE CONTRACTOR AND DOD
PRESENCE; STATUS OF MAJOR SALES, INCLUDING TRAINING, DELIV-
ERIES, UTILIZATION AND MAINTENANCE; ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL
IMPLICATIONS OF MILITARY SALES; POSSIBLE FUTURE SALES;
ORGANIZATION AND COORDINATION OF BOTH OFFICIAL AND COMMERCIAL
SALES; THIRD COUNTRY SALES AND ACTIVITIES.

AFTERNOON - BRIEFINGS BY I-HAWK AND A-4 (SKYHAWK) DOD PROJECT
OFFICERS.
CHAT WITH CHIEF OF RAYTHEON'S PROVISIONAL OFFICE, REGARDING
FIRM'S PROSPECTIVE PRESENCE AND ROLE IN PERFORMANCE OF
I-HAWK CONTRACT.

EVENING - DRINKS WITH AMBASSADOR AND MRS. MAESTRONE.

C. NOVEMBER 4

MORNING - HILTON CHECKOUT TO HOME OF CONTROL OFFICER
(ACROSS STREET).
CALL ON GOK UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE, ABDUL-RAZAK AL-KHAMIS,
WHO IS HIGH LEVEL OFFICIAL WE NORMALLY DEAL WITH ON MILITARY
SALES AND RELATED MATTERS.
ORIENTATION AND DRIVE-BY TOUR OF PORT AREA AND MILITARY
INSTALLATIONS, INCLUDING ARMY HQ, NAVY HQ, AND JAHRA ARMY
FACILITIES.

AFTERNOON - LUNCH WITH CHIEF, USLOK.
WRAP-UP MEETINGS WITH AMBASSADOR AND APPROPRIATE EMBASSY
OFFICERS.

EVENING - EARLY DINNER WITH CONTROL OFFICER AND OTHERS AS
DESIRED.
DEPART KUWAIT FOR TEHRAN (IR 600 AT 2040).

4. PARA 12, REFTTEL, NOTES THAT STAFFDEL PLANS TO DEPART KUWAIT
FOR TEHRAN ON IRANIAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 408 AT 1700 NOVEMBER 4.
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LOCAL IRANIAN AIRLINES MANAGES ADVISES THAT THIS FLIGHT DIS-
CONTINUED, AND THAT ONLY KUWAIT-TEHRAN FLIGHT DURING EVENING OF
NOVEMBER 4 IS IRANIAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 600, DEPARTING KUWAIT
AT 2040. THUS, WE HAVE CONFIRMED THREE SEATS ON FLIGHT 600
AND RECOMMEND STAFFDEL CHANGE TICKETS ACCORDINGLY.
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